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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, November 8, 1999

APPLICATION OF

QWEST COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION OF CASE NO. PUC990130 VIRGINIA

For certificate of public convenience and necessity to provide facilities based interexchange telecommunications services

FINAL ORDER

On July 29, 1999, Qwest Communications Corporation of Virginia ("Qwest" or "the Company") filed an application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity ("certificate") to provide facilities based interexchange telecommunications services throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia. As part of its application, Qwest requested authority to price its interexchange services on a competitive basis pursuant to § 56-481.1 of the Code of Virginia.

By Order dated September 3, 1999, the Commission directed the Company to provide notice to the public of its application, which invited interested persons to file comments and request a hearing, and directed the Commission Staff to conduct an investigation and, if necessary, file a report. Qwest filed its

proof of publication and notice on September 29, 1999, and no comments or requests for hearing were received. On October 12, 1999, the Staff filed a report finding that Qwest's application was in compliance with the Commission's Rules Governing the Certification of Interexchange Carriers.¹

Based upon its review of Qwest's application and the Company's responses to Staff data requests, the Staff determined it would be appropriate to grant an interexchange certificate to Qwest.

NOW THE COMMISSION, having considered Qwest's application and the Staff Report, is of the opinion and finds that Qwest should be granted a certificate to provide interexchange telecommunications services. Having considered § 56-481.1, the Commission further finds that Qwest may price its interexchange services competitively. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) Qwest Communications Corporation of Virginia is hereby granted a certificate of public convenience and necessity, No. TT-80A, to provide interexchange services subject to the restrictions set forth in the Commission's Rules Governing the Certification of Interexchange Carriers, § 56-265.4:4 of the Code of Virginia, and the provisions of this Order.

¹ 20 VAC 5-400-60.

- (2) Qwest shall provide tariffs to the Division of Communications which conform with all applicable Commission rules and regulations.
- (3) Pursuant to § 56-481.1 of the Code of Virginia, Qwest may price its interexchange services competitively.
- (4) There being nothing further to come before the Commission, this case shall be dismissed and the papers filed herein placed in the file for ended causes.